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Attorney Docket No. 24492-013CIP



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

FIRST-NAMED INVENTOR OR      Antonio Cruz  
APPLICATION IDENTIFIER:

FOR:                                      **GASTRIN COMPOSITIONS AND FORMULATIONS, AND  
METHODS OF USE AND PREPARATION**

MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUING APPLICATION UNDER 37  
C.F.R. §1.53(b)**

1.      This is a request for filing a continuing application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b).  
         This application claims the benefit of, and is a continuation-in-part-of, USSN 10/\_\_\_\_, filed November 21, 2003 with Attorney Docket No. 24492-013, which in turn claims the benefit of USSN 60/428,100, filed Nov. 21, 2002, and USSN 60/428,562, filed Nov. 22, 2002.  
         This application also claims the benefit of USSN 60/430,590, filed Dec. 3, 2002, and USSN 60/\_\_\_\_, filed Nov. 14, 2003 with Attorney Docket No. 24492-017.  
         This application additionally claims the benefit of, and is a continuation-in-part of, USSN 10/691,123, filed Oct. 22, 2003, which in turn claims the benefit of USSN 60/420,187, filed Oct. 22, 2002, and USSN 60/420,399, filed Oct. 22, 2002.  
         The contents of all of these applications are incorporated herein by reference in their entireties.
2.      This application is a total of 53 pages. The application includes:  
         Specification, not including claims, Abstract, or Figures--45 pages  
         Claims--5 pages;  
         Abstract --1 page; and  
         Drawings--2 pages (FIGS. 1-2);
3.      Also included is a Declaration and Power of Attorney (unsigned) (2 pages).
4.      Small entity status is appropriate for this application.

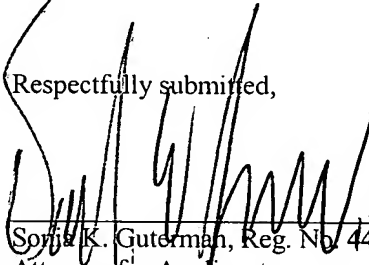
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5. Fees for this application are calculated as follows:

CLAIMS AS FILED					
Claims	Number Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee 37 C.F.R. 1.16(a) \$770.00
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(c))	94	- 20 =	74	\$ 18.00	\$1,332.00
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b))	5	- 3 =	2	\$86.00	\$ 172.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 C.F.R. 1.16(d))	42	0		\$290.00	\$ 290.00
SUBTOTAL:					\$2,564.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity:					\$1,282.00
TOTAL FEE:					\$1,282.00

6. A Return Receipt Postcard is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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